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For: ALUMINUM NITRIDE JUNCTION BODY

AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated December 10, 2008, the period for response being extended by one (1) month to April 10, 2009, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

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